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1. ANSWERED AS FOLLOWS USING SAME PARAGRAPH AND ITEM NUMBERS:

2. BULK CLEARANCE AND VISA WAIVERS OBTAINED. GUISEPPE GUILANO, EMBASSY GSO, WILL RECEIVE PASSPORTS FROM TRIP SUPPORT OFFICER.

3. SUGGEST SY/ I/ PSB MAY WISH TO CONTACT SECRET SERVICE S. S. NORMAN TAYLOR WHO WAS SAIC DURING SHULTZ AND CODEL VISIT MAY 4-8. TAYLOR AWARE OF CAPABILITIES AND LIMITATIONS LOCAL AUTHORITIES. TAYLOR DETAIL OF ABOUT 17 S. A. S PROBABLY SOMEWHAT LARGER THAN SY CONTEMPLATES.

4. TENTATIVE PLANS ARE TO QUARTER ENTIRE OFFICIAL PARTY, LESS CREW, IN SHERATON KINGSTON HOTEL WHICH IS THE MOST CONVENIENT LOCATION OBTAINABLE.

A. AT HOTEL

B. WE HAVE BLOCKED OFF FIVE SUITES IN RELATIVELY SECURE AND EASILY REACHED PART OF HOTEL COMPLEX. SUITES, WHICH ARE ON TWO LEVELS, ARE ADJOINED TO A 32 ROOM BUILDING WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN RESERVED. WE CAN OBTAIN MORE ROOMS IN ANOTHER ADJOINING 32 UNIT BUILDING. THIS GENERAL SETUP WAS USED DURING THE SECRETARY SHULTZ

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VISIT AND PROVED SATISFACTORY. THE SUITE COMPLEX ADJOINS A BACK PARKING AREA WHICH CAN BE USED FOR THE MOTOR POOL OPERATION, AND CAN BE RELATIVELY EASILY SECURED. IT ALSO PROVIDES THE EASIEST AND SAFEST ACCESS/ EGRESS TO THE HOTEL.

THE BUILDINGS, 400,500, AND 600 BLOCKS, ARE OF TWO STORY HOLIDAY INN TYPE CONSTRUCTION. TWO SUITES ON GROUND FLOOR (BLDG 400). OTHER GROUND FLOOR SUITE OCCUPIED BY SHEARTON ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER. THREE SUITES ON SECOND FLOOR. BUILDINGS 500 AND 600 HAVE 16 ROOMS PER FLOOR. WE CAN CONFIGURE TO MEET GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING TO SPECIFICATIONS ARE NO PROBLEM.

C. ROOM ASSIGNMENTS CAN BE MADE AND INFO PROVIDED DEPT DURING VISIT OF SY ADVANCE MAN.

D. NO PROBLEM, KEYS AND REQUIRED SIGNATURE CARD WILL BE IN CONTROL ROOM.

3. DAO HAS RESPONDED RE CREW ACCOMMODATIONS AT MORGAN'S HARBOUR HOTEL IN PORT ROYAL 5-10 MINUTES FROM AIRCRAFT PARKING SITE.

F. SUITES-\$30.00 SINGLE, \$36.00 DOUBLE; ROOMS-\$15.00 SINGLES, \$21.00 DOUBLE. BREAKFAST- \$2.00-\$3.00; LUNCH-\$3.00-\$5.00; TEN PERCENT SERVICE CHARGE; DRINKS-\$1.00-\$1.50, BEER-\$.50, SOFT DRINKS-\$.30, ALL PRICES JAMAICAN-- J\$1.00 EQUALS U. S. \$1.10.

5. MOST VEHICLES WILL BE:

A. RENTED SINCE EMBASSY MOTOR POOL NOT SUITABLE, SATISFACTORY OR SUFFICIENT THIS OPERATION.

B. HOST GOVERNMENT WILL PROVIDE VEHICLES TO TRANSPORT THEIR SECURITY PERSONNEL.

C. AMBASSADOR WILL ACCOMPANY SECRETARY IN CHECKER LIMOUSINE FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL. LADIES WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MRS. DE ROULET IN RENTED LIMOUSINE. CASEY AND SZABO WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ECONOMIC OFFICER SLATER; PEDERSEN AND KUBISCH
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WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY DCM ROBERTSOS PAO WILL ACCOMPANY BRAY. OTHER CARS WILL BE NUMBERED AND ASSIGNED DURING VISIT OF SY ADVANCE MAN.

D. (1) 40 MINUTES
(2) 50-60 MINUTES
(3) 35 MINUTES

(4) 15-20 MINUTES

(5) 20 MINUTES

(6) 10-15 MINUTES

(7) 30-40 MINUTES

(8) 25 MINUTES

(9) 15 MINUTES

(10) 15 MINUTES TO MOST OTHER CONTEMPLATED DESTINATIONS.

COMMENT: DRIVING TIMES ABOVE CAN VARY GREATLY, I. E.
ON SUNDAY, TIMES MAY BE CUT IN HALF; HOWEVER, MONDAY TIMES ARE
AVERAGE, BUT THEY CAN BE GREATLY EXCEEDED DUE TO CHAOTIC KINGSTON
TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

6. WILL MEET REQUIREMENTS.

7. A. KINGSTON WILL OPERATE 24 HOURS COMMUNICATIONS FROM 0600
HOURS MAY 27 TO 0600 HOURS MAY 29. DEPT REQUESTED INFORM ATO
MIAMI, ETC.

B. SEPTTEL FROM PAO. POST TRYING TO COMPLY THIS REQUEST.

C. WILL PROVIDE AND WILL TRY TO HAVE SUNDAY AND MONDAY N. Y.
TIMES AVAILABLE.

8. A. B. C. (1)-(7)- NO PROBLEMS. WILL COMPLY.

9. A. (1), (2), (3)- O. K.

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B. B. NO REQUIREMENT CONTEMPLATED.

C. PRESENTS CHALLENGING BUDGETARY PROBLEM. HOWEVER, WE HOPE
TO HOLD COSTS TO MINIMUM. WE OBVIOUSLY CANNOT ABSORB VEHICLE
RENTAL, APPROX \$1,000 AND OVERTIME (SUNDAY
AND U. S. HOLIDAY) FROM ALREADY STRETCHED POST FUNDS.

D. E. F. UNDERSTOOD

10. A. GIFT OFFICER IS FSO PETER REAMS.

B. FSO WILLIAM BREER WILL PREPARE THANK YOUS.

1. A. VISIT FALLS ON SUNDAY AND U. S. HOLIDAY WHICH SHOULD

CREATE NO PROBLEMS. THERE ARE RECURRING ELECTRICITY OUTAGES WHICH CAN EFFECT ANY PART OF KINGSTON AT ANY TIME. SHEARATON HAS A LIMITED EMERGENCY GENERATOR CAPABILITY WHICH IS ADEQUATE FOR MOST NEEDS BUT NOT SATISFACTORY ELEVATOR OPERATION. PARTY BEING HOUSED IN AREA NOT REQUIRING ELEVATOR.

B. NO SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED. TAP WATER IS SAFE.

C. SHERATON ELECTRICITY IS 220/50 WITH TRANSFORMERS AVAILABLE. ELECTRIC SHAVERS CAN BE USED FROM BATHROOM WALL OUTLET. KINGSTON GENERALLY 115/50 WITH FLUCTUATIONS AND FREQUENT " OUTAGES" OF THREE HOURS OR MORE.

D. AVERAGE TEMPERATURE THIS TIME OF YEAR IS 75 DEGREES LOW, 90 DEGREES HIGH. SUNNY WITH POSSIBLE BUT NOT PROBABLY BRIEF RAINS. SUN CAN BE VERY INTENSE CAUSING SEVERE BURNS IN SHORT TIME.

12. EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER, FSO GEORGE CLIFT, SUBJECT KINGSTON 1467, WILL BE ATTENDING BUDGET CONFERENCE IN PANAMA MAY 13-17. DURING HIS ABSENCE FROM KINGSTON, DCM GEORGE B. ROBERTS, JR. WILL FILL IN IF NECESSARY. HIS PHONE NUMBERS: HOME-942 2282; PRIVATE EMBASSY-922 2667; EMBASSY-932 6341, EXT 242. CLIFT WILL RETURN KINGSTON MAY 18 OR 19.

13. LOOK FORWARD TO VISIT AND ANTICIPATE ENJOYABLE
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AND USEFUL STAY. WELCOME TO JAMAICA.
DE ROULET

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